# CYNGOR CYMUNED PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY, 15th JUNE 2017

#### **Present:**

# **Chair** Cllr W H Allen

#### **Community Councillors**

S. Dickens, G Ead, S ap Hywel, T ap Hywel, P. Owen-Griffiths, A. Pennington, J Scriven, S J Skivens, S L Skivens, L Whittle

Clerk to the Council - Mrs Helen Treherne Youth Ambassador – Meg Owen

# 22. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chairman welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

A minute's silence was then held in memory of victims of the Grenfell Tower fire and the London terrorist attack.

#### 23. MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017, having been previously circulated, were considered. The minutes were duly accepted and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

#### 24. MATTERS ARISING

- (a) The Clerk gave an update on the list of items from the previous meeting that she had been asked to raise with Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- (b) A response had been received from CCBC regarding the barrier being open at the Bowls Tesco after hours. An officer had monitored the situation and found that the barrier was lowered after staff at Papa John's had vacated the premises and that no further action would be taken, but they would revisit the matter if the site became a problem.

RESOLVED - Noted

(c) A response had been received from CCBC regarding sigs for the shops at Troed-y-Bryn, Penyrheol. No signs would be permitted on highway land, but that planning permission could be sought to put the signs on private land. Councillors said that there were signs for venues such as The Black Cock Inn and Mountain Ranch etc and the Clerk was asked to go back to CCBC to ask why this was permitted if the same could not be done for the shops in Troed-y-Bryn.

RESOLVED – Clerk to go back to CCBC

# 25. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS

#### **Declarations of Interest – Public Register**

The Clerk reminded Members that it is their responsibility and duty to declare any interest they may have in matters that come before meetings of the Community Council.

RESOLVED – Noted (to comply with requirements of the Local Government Act 2000)

#### 26. POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS

PC John McDonnell was present at the meeting. Crimes reported and actual crimes committed had fallen compared to this time last year, but anti-social behavior had increased, especially at the Top Shops in Penyrheol and also a rise in neighbourhood disputes. Several dispersal notices had been issued re: the Top Shops. A Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO) had been issued to one person, who would now be banned from certain areas, along with a curfew.

Cllr L. Whittle said that he had attended the joint meeting with Gwent Police. He also said that someone had been attacked with a bottle at the Top Shops and that he was not happy that the person responsible had been released so soon after the incident. PC McDonnell said that the investigation was ongoing, but he would find out details of the incident. PC McDonnell said there was an initiative called Positive Futures being rolled out in the area of the Top Shops.

PC McDonnell also said that a protest had been arranged re: the common land at the top of Penyrheol, but there was a dispute about who owned the byway. It was understood that this was being taken to court. In the meantime, the protest had been postponed.

The problems with the roundabout at St Cenydd would be a Your Voice priority, as there had been several accidents and near-misses since the road markings had been changed.

RESOLVED: Noted

# 27. WHQS ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

There would be a consultation on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at Cwm Ifor Primary School regarding what improvements the residents of Penyrheol would like to see, paid for by the WHQS Environmental Programme. Trecenydd residents would be consulted later in the year.

RESOLVED - Noted

#### 28. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered:

- (a) 17/0346/COU Unit 19, Trecenydd Business Park, Trecenydd, Caerphilly CF83 2RZ
  - Change the use from B2 to D2
- (b) 17/0419/FULL 3 Kidwelly Court, Hendredenny, Caerphilly CF83 2TY Erect single storey side extension

The above planning applications/appeals were considered by the Council.

RESOLVED – in the general interest of the community that :

having been previously circulated to Members and having received no comments or objections in respect of applications (a) or (b), the Clerk's action in informing the Planning Authority that the Council does not wish to make any comments or raise any objections to the application be noted.

#### 29. MEMBERS ITEMS

# (a) Various

The Clerk gave an update of matters that have been resolved and matters that are still under discussion with CCBC.

RESOLVED - Noted

#### (b) <u>Various</u>

The Clerk requested Members to advise her of any matters they have previously requested to be raised with CCBC that are still unresolved or outstanding.

The Clerk advised Members that if they report any matters to the Customer Care Line of CCBC that they obtain the log number as this is very important in following up matters.

RESOLVED - Noted

#### (c) <u>Various</u>

	Cllr P Owen-Griffiths said that the road near Lidl in Penrhos was very fast and asked if a pedestrian crossing could be installed.	PTE06/2017 – crossing Penrhos
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	
(d)	Cllr S. Dickens said that quad bikes/bikes etc were driving up onto the compound in Penyrheol and that children played in this area, so this was dangerous.	PTE06/2017 – motorbikes driving on compound
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	
(e)	Cllr S L Skivens reported that the refuse lorry was causing an obstruction/delays during the school rush hour in Energlyn.	PTE06/2017 – refuse collection
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	during rush hour
(f)	Cllr J Scriven said that residents were still leaving their bins on the pavement by the flats in Second Avenue and this was causing an obstruction. He asked the Clerk to contact CCBC about a small parcel of land which could be used to store the bins permanently.	PTE06/2017 – residents leaving bins on pavement
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	
(g)	Cllr S ap Hywel reported that there were overhanging trees in Hendredenny Drive/Groeswen Drive.	PTE06/2017 – overhanging trees
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	Hendredenny Drive/Groeswen Drive
(h)	Cllr P Owen-Griffiths reported that there was a parcel of land in Castell Maen that had overgrown grass.	PTE06/2017 – Castell Maen
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	grass overgrown
(i)	Cllr S Dickens reported that there were overhanging trees at the old Cwm Ifor Primary school site, which were protruding onto the pavement.	PTE06/2017 – trees overhanging old Cwm Ifor site
	RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC	Cwin nor site
30. <b>REI</b>	PORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS	
a)	<u>Various</u>	
	Cllr W H Allen reported that he had attended:	
	Community Council liaison meeting.	

#### b) Various

Cllr Mrs Sian Skivens reported that she had attended:

Police meeting;

Penyrheol walkabout.

c) Cllr L Whittle reported that he had attended:

Penyrheol walkabout.

#### 31. **YOUTH AMBASSADOR**

The Youth Ambassador was attending her last meeting, as she would soon be turning 18. She thanked all the Councillors, especially former Councillor Huw Davies, for all his help in planning the talent showcase and the Councillors who attended her surprise Princess Diana awards ceremony. She presented the Clerk with a bouquet of flowers and thanked her for all her help during her term of office. She said that she had learned so much during her time with the Community Council and would always be grateful for that. She said that St Cenydd would be nominating a pupil to take her place and she was sure that, if successful, this person would take up the reigns and move things forward. The Chairman, on behalf of the Community Council, thanked Meg very much for all her hard work and Cllr S Skivens said that she had been very successful in reaching the youngsters of the area and wished her well with her university course and for the future. He said he hoped that she would return for a visit and hoped that she would not lose touch.

RESOLVED – to thank the Youth Ambassador for all hard work and to wish her well for the future

#### 32. SUMMER PLAYSCHEMES

The Clerk reported that everything was on track with the summer playschemes. The Clerk asked for assistance at the registrations: Trecenydd playscheme registration on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> July at Hendre Junior School at 5.00 pm and Penyrheol playscheme registration on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July at Penyrheol Community Centre at 5.00 pm.

RESOLVED - Noted

#### 33. PURCHASE OF DEFIBRILLATORS

As this had now been goiong on for quite some time, it was resolved that the following defibrillators would be purchased: one for Hendre Junior School, one for Penyrheol Community Centre and one for Trecenydd Community Centre. The defibrillator for Hendre Junior School would be an internal one (with no case) and the ones for the community centres would be external ones (with cases). The external cases would only be accessible via a code, which would be given on ringing 999.

RESOLVED – Clerk to order three defibrillators and two cases

# 34. **NEWSLETTER**

The newsletter had been printed and delivered.

RESOLVED - Noted

#### 35. SKATE PARK

Cllr S Skivens said that he would speak to Bethan Smith. The Youth Ambassador said that she would try to encourage as many young people as possible to attend the consultation at Cwm Ifor and that she was in the process of receiving questionnaires back from pupils at St Cenydd, in order to tie in with the public consultation. Cllr Skivens would meet with pupils from St Cenydd to discuss the skate park.

RESOLVED – Cllr Skivens to meet with pupils at St Cenydd

# 36. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

### (a) <u>Press Items</u>

The Clerk outlined press cuttings of interest that affected the Council's area.

RESOLVED - Noted

### (b) <u>Caerphilly County Borough Council</u>

No correspondence had been received.

#### (c) General correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

# 37. <u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS</u>

An acknowledgement had been received from Bethel Baptist Church.

# 38. **DONATIONS**

#### (a) Caerphilly Boxing Club

Cllr J Scriven declared an interest as he was head coach at the club and left the room whilst this item was being discussed.

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £200 be approved

# 39. APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR JUNE

The following payments were approved by the Council:

- (a) Clerk's salary June 2017
- (b) Clerk's expenses June 2017;
- (c) Inland Revenue June 2017;
- (d) Members' expenses June 2017;
- (e) Pat Cavanagh AGM photos £108;
- (f) Chairman allowance £500;
- (g) J & P Davison production of newsletter £1278.

# 40. <u>ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING</u>

Senghenydd Memorial Awards and also CCBC-owned buildings such as community centres and park pavilion.

RESOLVED - Noted

# 41. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 7.00 pm.

# **PLEASE NOTE**

Should there be any queries relating to these minutes would Members kindly contact the Clerk.